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Attached please find the following documents:

- X Amendment
- X Transmittal

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

In re Application of: Steven D. Goedeke et al.

For: AUTOMATIC VOICE AND DATA RECOGNITION FOR IMPLANTED MEDICAL DEVICE

Serial No.: 09/731,178

Filed: December 6, 2000

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.8** I hereby certify that this Amendment and Transmittal and the paper(s), as described herein are being sent to telefacsimile No. (703) 872-9314, Art Unit 2655, Attn: Examiner Smits, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2004.

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☒ AMENDMENT☐ Applicant hereby petitions for one-months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ fee.☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

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